

# **DRAFT MINUTES**

## **Manville Fire District – Special Meeting September 1, 2015**

**Date of Meeting: Tuesday September 1, 2015**

**Time of Meeting: 7:00pm**

**Place of Meeting: Manville Fire Department**

**112 Old Main Street**

**Manville, RI 02838**

**1. Pledge of Allegiance – Lead by Chairman Lake @ 7:00 pm**

**2. Roll Call of Officers-**

**Present - Warden Ron McKenna**

**Warden James Akers**

**Chairman Bob Lake**

**Absent - Warden Paul McKeon**

**Warden Jerry St Germain**

**Also Present -**

**Clerk Lee Lamothe**

**3. Overview of Proposed Resolutions by the board**

**The Chair gives a brief overview about this meeting. He asks Warden McKenna to read the proposed Resolutions for comment.**

**Resolution R-1**

**Be it resolved that we the Manville Fire District voters assembled here**

**on September 8, 2015 do hereby set the interest rate at 1 ½ % per month to equal 18% per annum on delinquent and unpaid taxes. A collection fee of \$25 on all unpaid real estate taxes beginning January 1, 2016.**

#### **Resolution R-2**

**Be it resolved that we the Manville Fire District voters assembled here on September 8, 2015 do hereby authorize the elimination of the motor vehicle tax. The loss of income will be offset with implementing the same tax rate that we have had for the previous 7 years at \$1.87 a thousand (\$34,132) and the allocating of \$12,000 from the 2015-16 collections of delinquent taxes. We have collected \$45,574 in motor vehicle taxes to date. The \$30 minimum tax represents 20 cents on the tax rate.**

**Tax Collector McKenna provides backup information for this proposal. General discussion and information about this resolution.**

#### **Resolution R-3**

**Be it resolved that we the Manville Fire District voters assembled here on September 8, 2015 do hereby affix the tax on real estate and tangible property for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2015 at the rate of \$1.87 per thousand dollars and a minimum of \$30 per taxpayer as assessed by the Town of Lincoln**

#### **Resolution R-4**

**Be it resolved that we the Manville Fire District voters assembled here on September 8, 2015 do hereby approve the relocation of 15%(recommended by auditors) of surplus 2013-2014 funds to the restricted surplus account and the remainder of the surplus**

**2013-2014 fund be allocated to the capital funds account. The final amount to be determined after the January 2016 audit compilation.**

#### **Resolution R-5**

**Be it resolved that we the Manville Fire District voters assembled here on September 8, 2015 do hereby authorize the relocation of surplus 2013-14 funds to cuver uncollected taxes, up to \$10,000 to meet the 2014-15 budget. This is due to not achieving the budgeted 95% collection rate.**

#### **Resolution R-6**

**Be it resolved that we the Manville Fire District voters assembled here on September 8, 2015 do hereby authorize the use of taxes paid from delinquent real estate and motor vehicle up to \$12,500 based on a 95% collection rate for the 2014-15 fiscal year budget.**

#### **Resolution R-7**

**Be it resolved that we the Manville Fire District voters assembled here on September 8, 2015 do hereby affix the tax rate on motor vehicles for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2015 at the rate of \$1.70 per thousand dollars and a minimum of \$30.00 per tax payer as assessed by the Town of Lincoln in conformance with the RI State Statute.**

**If Resolution R-2 does not pass the MFD needs Resolution R-7.**

#### **Resolution R-8**

**Be it resolved that we the Manville Fire District voters assembled here on September 8, 2015 do hereby authorize the establishment of a legal contingency account for FY 2015-2016 in the amount of \$15,000. Monies to be allocated from the Capital MM account.**

#### **Resolution R-9**

**Be it resolved that we the Manville Fire District voters assembled here on September 8, 2015 do hereby authorize an allocation of up to \$6000 to cover the additional legal expenses incurred beyond the budgeted \$10,000 contingency fund in the 2014-15 budget.**

**Resolution R-10**

**Be it resolved that we the Manville Fire District voters assembled here on September 8, 2015 do hereby authorize an allocation of up to \$10,000 from the capital expense account for the replacement of the boiler system at the fire station.**

**Resolution R-11**

**Be it resolved that we the Manville Fire District voters assembled here on September 8, 2015 do hereby authorize an allocation of up to \$2500 from the capital expense account to remodel the handicap rest room at the fire station due to the installation of the new boiler.**

**Resolution R-12**

**Be it resolved that we the Manville Fire District voters assembled here on September 8, 2015 do hereby authorize an allocation of up to \$8,800 from the capital expense account to resurface the floor in the fire station bays.**

**Resolution R-13**

**Be it resolved that we the Manville Fire District voters assembled here on September 8, 2015 do hereby authorize an allocation of up to \$7,500 from the capital expense account for the replacement of the fire station fire alarm system. The current system is outdated and parts are no longer available.**

**Resolution R-14**

**Be it resolved that we the Manville Fire District voters assembled here on September 8, 2015 do hereby authorize an allocation of up to \$30,000 from the capital expense account for the repairs to Engine 10.**

**4. Presentation of proposed resolution for the annual meeting by the Treasurer/Tax Collector to consider eliminating the vehicle tax and merging vehicle assessment with real property tax.**

**This is presented as part of resolution #2. There is discussion among the taxpayers in the audience and the board and the tax collector/treasurer.**

**5. Presentation of proposed resolution for the annual meeting by the Chairman on behalf of Chief Adam regarding capital improvements to the station and the repair of Engine 10.**

**This is presented and discussed as part of resolutions 10-14. General Discussion.**

**6. Motion and discussion and vote of proposed budget and resolutions to be presented.**

**There is a motion by Warden McKenna and a second by Warden Akers to present the previously listed resolutions to the taxpayers at the Annual Meeting on September 8, 2015. Approved 3-0-0.**

**7. Present, review and discuss proposed budget and resolutions for 2015-2016 followed by motion and vote.**

**Chairman Lake reads through each line item. There is general discussion at the end of each category. The total proposed budget is \$332,728.00**

**There is a motion by Warden McKenna and seconded by Chairman Lake to approve the budget as presented. Approved 3-0-0**

## **8. Public Comment**

## **9. Motion to Adjourn**

**Motion to adjourn by Warden McKenna at 8:07 PM, Seconded by Warden Akers. Approved 3-0-0**

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**Date of Meeting: 09/01/2015**

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**Minutes submitted to/ and approved by Board:**

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